#### **CORVALLIS ANIMAL CONTROL**

Corvallis Animal Control is a division of the Corvallis Police Department. It's duty is to enforce the animalrelated statutes within the boundaries of the City of Corvallis

#### SERVICES OF ANIMAL CONTROL

- ✓ School and club animal care and safety presentations.
- ✓ Dog training information
- ✓ Cruelty investigations
- ✓ Animal noise investigations
- ✓ Animal bite investigations
- ✓ Sick and injured animal rescue
- ✓ Dangerous animal control
- ✓ Livestock problem intervention
- ✓ Impounding dogs at large
- ✓ Wild life rescue

#### ANIMAL CONTROL LAWS

The following is a brief summary of the laws that apply most frequently.

## **DEFINITIONS:**

"Animal" means any nonhuman mammal, bird, reptile, amphibian or fish.

"At Large" - An animal is "at large" if it is upon any street, alley, or sidewalk or upon any premises other than the premises of the owner of the animal, unless the animal is hand restrained on a leash not exceeding 6 feet in length.

- "Potentially Dangerous Animal" Any animal which has:
- a. bitten, attacked, threatened, or molested humans or animals:
- b. chased persons or vehicles;
- c. by nature, disposition, conduct, training, or size creates a risk of danger to any person or animal while on or off the premises of the owner.

#### LICENSING YOUR DOG

Every person owning or keeping a dog in Corvallis must purchase a DOG LICENSE when the dog is SIX MONTHS of age or grows its permanent canine teeth; or within 30 days of becoming owner or keeper or within 30 days of moving into the City.

Dog licenses expire one year from the first day of the month of purchase and you are given until the last day of that month to renew prior to being charged a late penalty.

You must have a valid RABIES CERTIFICATE at the time of licensing.

For more Dog Licensing information call (541) 766-6831.

# **LEASH LAW/DOG AT LARGE**

Dogs must be restrained by a hand-held leash that does not exceed 6 feet in length when they are off the owners/caretakers property.

# **ANIMAL WASTE**

No person will allow animal waste that causes offensive odor to others to accumulate on property owned or controlled by them.

# **SCOOP LAW**

No person will allow a dog to defecate on property other than their own without immediately picking up and properly disposing of same.



Corvallis Ordinance 82-77

# **CRUELTY TO ANIMALS**

It is unlawful to physically mistreat an animal by deliberate abuse or neglect.

It is unlawful to deprive an animal of proper shelter or adequate care, including medical attention.

#### ANIMALS AND MOTOR VEHICLES

No animal shall be confined within or on a motor vehicle at any location under such conditions as may endanger the health or well-being of the animal, including but not limited to dangerous temperature, lack of food, water, or attention, or confinement with a dangerous animal.

#### ANIMALS/ACCIDENTS

If you hit an animal with your car or bike, you must notify the owner or the Police Department (9-1-1) and make a reasonable effort to determine the nature of the animal's injuries and give reasonable attention to the animal.

#### DANGEROUS ANIMAL/UNPROVOKED ATTACK

No person shall allow any animal to attack any other person or animal. An officer, when unable to catch a potentially dangerous animal, may destroy said animal.

#### **NOISE**

No person shall keep an animal which causes a loud frequent noise which disturbs the comfort or peace of others.

#### **TETHERING ANIMALS**

No person shall tie any animal to any tree, pole, fence, etc., so that it can reach a public sidewalk. No animal shall be tied on property other than the animal owner's.

# TRAPPING ANIMALS

Only safe box-type traps are approved for use in the City of

Corvallis. For more trapping information or trap rental,

call the Heartland Humane Society at 757-9000.



#### **LIVESTOCK AT LARGE**

Livestock kept in the City must be registered with Animal Control and is not permitted to run at large. No person shall

lead, drive or ride a horse upon any sidewalk.

#### **PARKS**

The following parks *do not* allow dogs whether on leash or not:

- **✗** Chintimini Park **✗** Lilly Park
- **✗** Central Park **✗** Franklin Square Park
- **✗** Washington Park (upper level playground area)
- ★ Crystal Lake Sport Fields (during posted playing season)

Dogs must be on a leash in all other City Parks except in designated off-leash areas where the owner must be physically present with the dog and the dog is under the owner's control.

The following parks allow dogs off leash in designated areas only:

- ✓ Willamette Park Dogs are permitted off-leash throughout the river trails, disc golf area and on the south end sports field. Shelter area and playground on the South end are on-leash ONLY.
- ✓ Crystal Lake Sport Fields Off-leash dogs are allowed on the fields only during the months when they are not in use. The Farm Road perimeter trail is off-leash year round. Dogs are permitted on-leash on the paved path and fields year round. Please check the park kiosk for information.
- ✓ Woodland Meadow Posted off-leash area Upper portion of the meadow near Corl House to the crest of the hill. Please respect buffer zone between neighboring homes and park.
- ✓ Chip Ross 125 acres off-leash year round.
- ✓ Walnut Park Southwest corner of park, approx. 8 acres. Parking Lot is on-leash.
- ✓ Bald Hill Park small 7 acre area west of Bald Hill Park. Paved path is on-leash only.

## **IMPOUNDED ANIMALS**

Impounded animals are taken to the Heartland Humane Society Shelter.

SHELTER HOURS (Please call for hours) 398 SW Twin Oaks Cir. - 757-9000

All pet animals should wear a current I.D. tag so that we can notify you if your pet is found.

Pets wearing current licenses or I.D. and found injured may receive emergency medical treatment and immediate notification of the owner.

#### **CATS**

Cats are considered personal property. Cats are permitted to roam at large, but they are required to wear



a collar, tag, or other device identifying the cat's owner. An owner of a cat which damages the property of others, including gardens, may be found liable for damages resulting from the animal's behavior. "Dangerous"

cats can also be impounded or destroyed when at large.

# DOG OBEDIENCE TRAINING

The Corvallis Police Department recommends that dog owners participate in dog obedience training. To locate a dog trainer, consult local directories under "Dog Training", call the Humane Society or consult with your veterinarian.

# IF YOUR PET IS MISSING

- 1. Call the Heartland Humane Society 757-9000
- 2. Place an ad in the newspapers and on the radio

# <u>IF YOU FIND A PET</u>

Any person who finds a lost/stray animal shall notify the Animal Control Office or the Heartland Humane Society within 48 hours.

The finders may surrender the animal to the Animal Control Officer or the Heartland Humane Society or retain possession of it, subject to surrender upon demand by the Animal Control Officer.

Ownership of an animal other than livestock and wildlife

can be established through compliance with provisions of ORS 98 005.

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